

Township of Teaneck

ADVISORY BOARD ON COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Background

- ♦ The purpose of the Board is to advise the Council on strengthening the bonds and improving relations between and among the diverse citizenship of the Township of Teaneck and to foster better communication and interaction across racial, ethnic, religious, cultural, economic, gender, age, and geographical lines.
- ♦ 9 members & 2 alternates

Initiatives/Accomplishments

- ♦ New Resident Event
- ♦ Suggest & assist with community events & forums

Current Membership

Yassine Elkaryani, Chair

Christina Pami

Joseph Kaplan

Cheryl Hall

Ray Goldberg

Roby Langert

Larry Bauer

Kasai Sanchez

Allegra House

Colleen Diskin, Alternate #1

Hussein Halak, Alternate #2

Deputy Mayor Danielle Gee, Council Liaison



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HACKENSACK RIVER GREENWAY ADVISORY BOARD

Background

- ♦ The purpose of the Board is to advise the Council respecting the creation, acquisition, maintenance, and use of a 3.5-mile Hackensack River Greenway through Teaneck and to provide information to the public respecting same. The Greenway contains a pedestrian walkway and nature trail.
- ♦ The Greenway runs through three municipal parks and the Fairleigh Dickenson University campus in Teaneck.
- ♦ 7 members, a representative from PPRAB, & FDU

Initiatives/Accomplishments

- ♦ Interpretive signs along trail that detail the environment
- ♦ Riverside litter cleanups
- ♦ Plan events along the River

Current Membership

Marie Warnke, Chair
Marion McClary, FDU Representative
Christina Pami, PPRAB Representative
James Wurm
Richard Karp
Peter Goldman
Mayor Michael Pagan, Council Liaison



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MUNICIPAL OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND

Background

- ♦ The purpose of the Board is to advise the Council with respect to the expenditure of Municipal Open Space Trust funds. The Council may authorize the expenditure of MOST funds without first referring such expenditures to the MOST Advisory Board.
- ♦ 7 members; including a representative from the Environmental Commission, a representative from the Historic Preservation Commission, a representative from PPRAB, the Township Engineer, the Superintendent of Recreation as an ex officio member, and a member-at-large.

Initiatives/Accomplishments

- ♦ Develop recommendations and plans for the expenditure of MOST funds.

Current Membership

Dr. Ken Hoffman, Chair
Deke Valerio, THPC Representative
Yosef Gillers, EC Representative
Farah Gilani, Township Engineer
Glenna Crocket, Recreation Superintendent
Avi Berliner, PPRAB Representative
Councilwoman Hillary Goldberg, Council Liaison



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PARKS, PLAYGROUNDS, & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

Background

- ♦ The purpose of the Board is to advise the Council respecting the acquisition, development, maintenance, and use of parks and recreational facilities within the Township of Teaneck, including recreational programs.
- ♦ 9 members & the Superintendent of Recreation as an ex officio member, and a member-at-large.

Initiatives/Accomplishments

- ♦ Study the township parks to ascertain areas in need of resources and updates

Current Membership

Dr. Ken Hoffman, Chair

Avi Berliner

James Brown

Allison Davis

Sue Feuerstein

Jill Leibman

Christina Pami

Brian Jacobs

Glenna Crocket, Recreation Superintendent

Councilwoman Hillary Goldberg, Council Liaison



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PRIDE AWARENESS ADVISORY BOARD

Background

- ♦ The purpose of the Board is to raise public awareness of the various ethnicities, religions, sexual orientations, gender identity or expression and other important aspects that make up the mosaic of the Teaneck community, to foster a respect and honor for all persons, regardless of any individual trait within our diverse community and celebrate and build a culture of inclusiveness and acceptance.
- ♦ 7 members.

Initiatives/Accomplishments

- ♦ Participate in/plan pride awareness programs & materials

Current Membership

Meghan Dunleavy, Chair

Robert Tirado

Rochel Kriegel

Mayor Michael Pagan, Council Liaison



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SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

Background

- ♦ The purpose of the Board is to advise the Council with respect to improving the quality of life for Teaneck's senior citizens and to make recommendations to the Township Council about the concerns of the older population, including program offerings at the Senior Center, transportation opportunities, and wellness programs
- ♦ 9 members

Initiatives/Accomplishments

- ♦ Computer-usage classes
- ♦ Technology classes led in partnership with Teaneck schools students
- ♦ Assist with distributing information relating to seniors

Current Membership

Jane Erwin, Chair
Micki Shilan, Deputy Chair
Mimi Simon, Secretary
Natalee Addison
Candace Williams
Wilhelmenia Jackson
Lillian Lewis
Sandy Loft
Edna Dismus
Juanita Brown
Roosevelt Sills
Jacqueline Kates
Deputy Mayor Danielle Gee, Council Liaison



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SHADE TREE ADVISORY BOARD

Background

- ♦ The purpose of the Board is to advise the Council on the welfare, maintenance, and planting of shade trees within the Town
- ♦ 7 members & 2 alternates. 1 regular member from the Environmental commission.

Initiatives/Accomplishments

- ♦ Annual Arbor Day Tree Planting
- ♦ Assist with tree care throughout the township & its parks

Current Membership

Nancy Cochrane, Co-Chair

Anna Kurz, Co-Chair

Roby Langert

Zina Barrera

Wendy Kelly, Alternate #2

Mayor Michael Pagan, Council Liaison



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SITE PLAN REVIEW ADVISORY BOARD

Background

- ◆ The purpose of the Board, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-39f, is to assist in reviewing site plan applications and making recommendations to the Planning Board and Board of Adjustment in regard thereto.
- ◆ 9 Qualified members + 2 Alternates, qualified by reason of training or experience in architecture, engineering, land development, municipal planning, real estate, landscape architecture or other relevant profession or business, or by reason of civic interest and proven ability to determine the effects of a development upon the standards set forth in this chapter. At least two regular members shall be registered architects, and at least two regular members shall be professional engineers.
- ◆ No member can act on any matter in which they have a personal or financial interest
- ◆ A quorum is three members; at least one must be a registered architect or engineer
- ◆ 2 meetings a month, unless there is no business to discuss

Current Membership



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SOCIAL SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

Background

- ♦ The purpose of the Board is to advise the Council and the Social Services Coordinator with respect to the social services programs available to the residents of the Township of Teaneck.
- ♦ 7 members. 1 is the Township Health Officer

Initiatives/Accomplishments

- ♦ Assist with management of the Public Assistance Trust Fund

Current Membership

Joseph Richard, Chair
Courtney Sartain, Health Officer
Alex Cerbone, Social Services Coordinator
Eva Sandrof
Tess Tomasi
Echo Schumaker-Pruitt
Varda Hager
Deputy Mayor Danielle Gee, Council Liaison



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STIGMA FREE ADVISORY BOARD

Background

- ♦ The purpose of the Board is to raise public awareness of the stigmas associated with mental & physical illness; and discrimination against race, age, creed, sexual orientation & gender identity
- ♦ No set members currently

Initiatives/Accomplishments

- ♦ Work with township & county offices to raise awareness through programs and educational materials

Current Membership

Jose Zenon, Chair
Courtney Sartain, Health Officer
Alex Cerbone, Social Services Coordinator
Manuel Roman
Councilwoman Denise Belcher, Council Liaison



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TEANECK MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE AGAINST SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Background

- ♦ The purpose of the Board is the prevention of alcoholism and substance abuse and the development and support of prevention programs.
- ♦ 9 members

Initiatives/Accomplishments

- ♦ Work with township & county offices to raise awareness through programs and educational materials

Current Membership

Victoria Fisher, Chair
Courtney Sartain, Health Officer
Alex Cerbone, Social Services Coordinator
Joseph Spiegel
Nancy Cochrane
Adrienne Williams
Tiffany Walker
Lianne Forman
Imani Godbee
Teaneck Police Detective Antherson Ramirez
Councilwoman Karen Orgen, Council Liaison



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YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD

Background

- ♦ The purpose of the Board is to empower, express ideas, and to bridge the gap between Teaneck Township officials and Teaneck's youth.
- ♦ 7 adult advisors who assist in recruiting and working with local students. All adult advisors must submit a background check prior to appointment.

Initiatives/ Accomplishments

- ♦ Field trips
- ♦ Participate in local meetings
- ♦ Plan Civics events with the Town Hall

Current Membership

Duane Harley, Advisor
Shae Lewis, Advisor
Quron Gee, Advisor
Kasai Sanchez, Chairperson
Gabriel Beidleman, Vice Chairperson
Ania McDonald, Secretary
Reign Crafton, Sergeant-at-Arms
Yvai Sanchez, Media Specialist
Denise Sanders, Board of Education Liaison
Deputy Mayor Elie Y Katz Council Liaison



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